



Director's Speaker Series

Nick Rankin
BBC

**"George Lowther Steer: Reporting the
Bombing of Guernica in 1937"**

Wednesday, November 12, 2003
3:30 p.m.
Mershon Center
Room 120

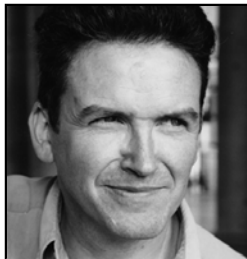


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Nicholas Rankin is a prize-winning British broadcaster and the author of two critically acclaimed books: *Dead Man's Chest: Travels after Robert Louis Stevenson* (Faber, 1987) and *Telegram from Guernica: The Extraordinary Life of George Lowther Steer, War Correspondent* (Faber, 2003). Nick spent his childhood in Kenya, was educated in England and then worked and travelled in the "southern cone" of South America, and lived in Barcelona, Spain during the transition from Francoism to democracy. He has been a member of the National Union of Journalists in the UK for over twenty years. He works for BBC World Service making radio programmes on a wide variety of subjects. Among the notable feature series he has produced and presented are "A Green History of the Planet", "The Ageing Future", "Plants of Power", "Mapping the World", "Cowboys and Indians", "Americanization", "The Columbus Encounter" and "Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee". He is married to the novelist Maggie Gee. They have a 16 year old daughter named Rosa and live in London.

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